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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

March 29, 2001

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment addresses issues raised in Examiner's final Office Action dated September 28, 2000. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 5 has been amended. A version with marking to show changes made and a copy of claim 5 as amended is attached.

Please add new claims as follows:

9. A recuperative heat exchanger for the exchange of heat across a plurality of heat transferring planar elements between a first fluid medium and a second fluid medium, said fluid mediums flowing in opposite directions to each other on opposite sides of said planar elements, said heat exchanger comprising:

a casing for containing a heat transfer package therein, said casing having a top end, a bottom end, a pair of respective lengthwise and widthwise opposed sides, each of said lengthwise sides provided with a pair of inlet and outlet ports, wherein each respective pair of inlet